

# Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy 2026-2030

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# **Summary**

This Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy for the period 2026-2030 is presented on the basis of the fiscal plan,<sup>1</sup> in accordance with Article 38 of the Act on Public Finances, no. 123/2015. The strategy is to be published annually. The Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy is presented over a horizon of five years and is based on the previous strategy, issued in December 2024.

The Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy 2026-2030 (MTDS) lays down the Government's plans for financing its activities during this period. The aim is to map out a clear debt management policy. The strategy thereby creates a framework for debt management measures, with the key objective of ensuring that the Government's financing needs and payment obligations are met at the lowest possible cost that is consistent with a prudent degree of risk. It is also intended to encourage further development of efficient primary and secondary markets for domestic Government bonds.

The MTDS describes the objectives and criteria for Treasury debt management, the current debt structure, and the key risk factors associated with the management of the debt.

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs is responsible for the central government's debt management, formulates its debt management strategy, and makes decisions regarding securities issuance. Government Debt Management, a special department within the Central Bank of Iceland, is responsible for executing the Treasury's debt management strategy in accordance with an agreement between the two parties.

Benchmark issues of Government bonds are structured so that each series is large enough to ensure effective price formation in the secondary market. To reduce refinancing risk, the Treasury aims to keep the redemption profile of Government securities as smooth as possible over time. The average time to maturity should be at least five years and no longer than seven years.

The Treasury's foreign borrowing strategy is aimed at securing regular access to international capital markets and appealing to a diversified investor base. Attempts shall be made to maintain benchmarks in market issues at any given time so as to facilitate domestic firms' access to foreign credit, if market conditions and the Treasury debt position permit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on the revised fiscal strategy plan for 2026-2030, adjusted for the 2026 National Budget.

# 1. Debt management objectives and criteria

### 1.1 Debt management objectives

Treasury debt is managed with an eye to the following key objectives:

- To ensure that the Treasury's financing need and payment obligations are met at the lowest possible long-term cost that is consistent with a prudent risk policy;
- 2. To establish a sustainable debt service profile that is consistent with the Government's medium-term debt service capacity and minimises refinancing risk;
- 3. To maintain and encourage further development of efficient primary and secondary markets for domestic Government securities;
- 4. To broaden the Government's investor base and diversify funding sources.

# 1.2 Debt management criteria

The debt portfolio is structured so as to minimise overall risk and encourage the development of a well-functioning market that can attract a diverse group of investors and set pricing benchmarks for other financial products.

In the wake of the processing and settlement of HF-Fund and the change in Government credit funds' financing structure, the Treasury emphasises issuance of nominal and inflation-indexed Government bonds in the domestic market. This supports effective price formation for Government securities along the yield curve, thereby creating the foundations for an active domestic bond market.

New Treasury loans taken in foreign currencies have been used primarily to strengthen the Central Bank's international reserves or to refinance outstanding market issues. Increased borrowing needs could require that the Treasury finance a portion of its operations and investments with foreign borrowings.

The guidelines for the structure of the Treasury loan portfolio are as follows:

Non-indexed loans 45% (deviation band 10%) Indexed loans 40% (deviation band 10%) Foreign debt 15% (deviation band 5%)

Benchmark issues will be structured so that each series is large enough to ensure effective price formation in the secondary market. The number and size of the series shall take account of Treasury debt. The aim is for the final size of each issued series to be at least ISK 50bn. Attempts will be made to expedite the build-up of bond series until they reach a size sufficient to ensure effective price

formation in the secondary market. There is no maximum size for any of the series, but their final size shall take account of the objectives of keeping the redemption profile consistent with the Treasury's long-term debt service capacity and minimising refinancing risk.

The aim is to keep the share of total debt maturing within 24 months below 25%.

The average time to maturity of total Treasury debt shall be at least five years and no longer than seven years.

The Government's domestic deposits with the Central Bank of Iceland shall average about ISK 40bn.

# 1.3 Objectives of the fiscal plan 2026–2030

Clear, quantitative targets for debt management support the long-run sustainability of Treasury debt. The targets are based on the fiscal plan for 2026-2030, prospects for the Treasury outcome, the economic outlook, and the state of the domestic economy. The fiscal plan for 2026-2030 presents projections of total Treasury debt relative to GDP and of total public sector debt according to the debt rule in the Act on Public Finances.

- The ratio of Treasury debt to GDP shall be about 41% by 2030.
- Total General Government debt according to the debt rule shall be 41% of GDP by year-end 2030.
- Interest expense shall equal 2.3% of GDP by the end of 2030.

These targets are subject to revision of macroeconomic and fiscal assumptions. They will be updated as necessary.

# 2. Structure of Government securities

The Treasury's borrowing needs will be met for the most part with domestic borrowing. Other financing options include foreign borrowing and draw on Treasury's deposits in the Central Bank of Iceland. This section focuses on the structure and set-up for issuance of Government securities in the domestic and foreign markets.

### 2.1 Domestic Government bond issuance

Benchmark series will be structured so that each series is large enough to ensure effective price formation in the secondary market. The structure of benchmark series shall also lay the foundations for the nominal and indexed yield curves as effectively as possible. Furthermore, the number and size of benchmark series shall be determined based on overall debt, financing need, and refinancing risk at any given time.

With the processing and settlement of HF-Fund, Part A of the Treasury took over HF-Fund's liabilities, and to cover the settlement, the Government issued nine new bond series, which over time will be included in the Treasury's benchmark bond system, with the associated issuance and market making.

Monthly issuance of Government bills will vary, depending on investor demand and the Treasury's financing need at any given time. Government bills are used in part for Treasury liquidity management and may be issued for up to 12 months.

# 2.2 Foreign bond issuance

New loans taken by the Treasury in foreign currencies have been used primarily to expand the Central Bank's international reserves or to refinance outstanding market issues. The Treasury has the possibility, however, of drawing down its foreign-denominated deposits with the Central Bank or issuing foreign bonds to finance its operations or investments. The need for foreign borrowing is assessed in each instance, and in determining that need, it is important to consider exchange rate risk and the Treasury's role in ensuring that Iceland has access to foreign capital markets.

The strategy for foreign debt financing aims, among other things, at maintaining regular access to international credit markets and facilitating access to a diverse investor group. To this end, the aim is to issue Government bonds in foreign markets on a regular basis. The Treasury's foreign bond issuance facilitates domestic firms' access to foreign credit and provides an important benchmark for borrowing terms. The objective is to issue bonds annually in international markets, subject to favourable market conditions and the

Treasury's debt position. Regular issuance of bonds in international markets is also intended to enhance name recognition of the Republic of Iceland as an issuer.

# 2.3 Green/Sustainable financing

Clearly defined green and sustainable projects in Iceland could be financed through issuance of so-called green (sustainable) Government bonds. Such issues would be designed not least with the aim of sending a clear message to investors about the importance of climate issues and how the financial market can be used to address them. In most respects, green (sustainable) bonds are like other bond issues, but the proceeds are used to finance environment-friendly (sustainable) projects.

In 2021, the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs issued a sustainable financing framework for the Treasury. An updated framework released in April 2023 contained an annex on financing of projects that promote gender equality. A sustainable framework enables the Treasury to issue green bonds or other sustainable bonds, either in Iceland or abroad. Iceland's framework was certified by *Cicero – shades of green*, and the Treasury received a dark green or the highest score for the green and blue projects to be financed. Sustainable bonds that the Treasury may issue under the framework are not limited by the size criteria described in Section 1.2.

# 3. Treasury debt

This section describes the composition of total Treasury debt. It also reviews the average time to maturity and the redemption profile, as well as providing information on the Treasury's investor base. The information herein is based on the Treasury debt position as of end-November 2025.

### 3.1 Treasury debt

The ratio of total Treasury debt to GDP is expected to peak at year-end 2025. In 2025, Treasury liabilities changed materially with the settlement of HF-Fund, which, among other things, increased the Treasury Part A1 debt ratio. The debt ratio of the total Treasury Part A, which contains HF-Fund, declined by about 6 percentage points because of the settlement. Throughout the period of the current fiscal plan, the Treasury will secure financing to address negative cash flow, support ON-lending operations and other investment activities, and refinance maturing debt obligations. The Treasury's borrowing need is estimated at ISK 79.8bn in excess of instalments in the approved budget for 2026. The borrowing need over and above instalments will decline over the horizon of the current fiscal strategy plan, in tandem with improvements in the Treasury outcome.

Figure 1 shows developments in the Treasury's gross and net debt ratio from 2015-2024, together with the estimated balance as of year-end 2025 and the National Budget for 2026. In the chart, developments in debt in 2027–2030 are taken from the 2026–2030 fiscal plan, which was approved in Parliament in July 2025.

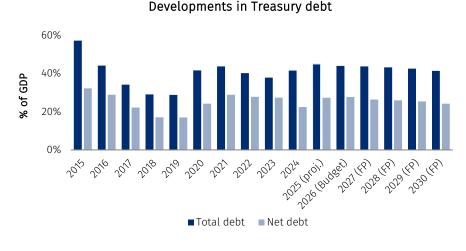


Figure 1

Gross Treasury debt totalled ISK 2,291bn at the end of November 2025. This is equivalent to 42.3% of GDP. Table 1 shows a breakdown of Treasury Part A1 debt, net of pension obligations and accounts payable, as of end-November 2025<sup>2</sup>.

### Treasury debt as of end-November 2025

Amo	ounts in ISK m		
Domestic liabilities			
Marketable bonds			
Government bills <sup>3</sup>	129,550		
Government bonds, index-linked	909,258		
Nominal Government bonds	752,062		
Accrued unpaid interest	54,979		
Non-marketable debt			
Other liabilities	30,426		
Domestic liabilities, total	1,876,275		
Total liabilities in foreign currency			
EMTN issues	384,771		
Loans for acquisition of Landsnet	30,260		
Foreign liabilities, total	415,031		
Total liabilities	2,291,306		
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Table 1

#### 3.1.1 Domestic liabilities

Marketable securities include Government bills and nominal and index-linked Government bonds.

Non-marketable Treasury debt includes index-linked bonds issued in connection with the Treasury's acquisition of the City of Reykjavík and City of Akureyri's holdings in Landsvirkjun, assumed Government-guaranteed loans, and a portion of loans relating to the Government's acquisition of shares in Landsnet.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Market Information, December 2025. (http://www.lanamal.is/en/news/market-information)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> At the end of 2025, outstanding Government bills will total ISK 110bn.

#### 3.1.1.1 Investors in domestic Government securities

The Treasury issues Government securities with various maturities. The objective is to appeal to a broad base of investors and minimise financing costs. Figures 2 and 3 give a breakdown of the holders of domestic Government bonds and bills as of end-November 2025.4

# Financial Foreign investors Institutions 7% 11% Other, domestic 12% Mutual and Inv. funds 12% Pension Funds

### Owners of Government securities

#### Figure 2

58%

Pension funds' holdings accounted for 58% of the market value of outstanding Government securities at the end of November 2025, mostly bonds with longer maturities. Financial institutions held 11% of outstanding Government bonds in terms of market value, mostly bonds with shorter maturities. Mutual funds and investment funds owned about 12% of domestic Government securities. Foreign investors, whose holdings consist almost solely of nominal bonds, own about 7% of outstanding securities. Other investors held 12% of Government securities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The breakdown of Government bond owners includes securities loans.

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Owners of Government bonds and bills, by series

### Figure 3

### 3.1.2 Foreign liabilities

As of end-November 2025, Treasury foreign liabilities consisted of four market issues denominated in euros, plus a sovereign gender bond and loans for the Treasury's acquisition of Landsnet.

In 2020 and 2021, the Treasury issued Eurobonds in order to give itself the scope to address the repercussions of the pandemic. In June 2020, the Treasury issued a bond for EUR 500m, which matures in 2026. The outstanding balance after a buyback in 2025 totals just under EUR 300m. The latter bond, issued in late January 2021 in the amount of EUR 750m, matures in 2028. In March 2024, the Treasury issued a green bond maturing in 2034, in the amount of EUR 750m. Then, in May 2025, it issued a bond maturing in 2030, in the amount of EUR 750m.

In June 2024, Treasury issued a sovereign gender bond maturing in 2027, in the amount of EUR 50m. Other foreign-denominated Treasury liabilities, which derive from the acquisition of Landsnet hf., total ISK 30bn. In all, Treasury foreign debt amounted to ISK 415bn at the end of November 2025.

### 3.1.3 Composition of Treasury debt

Figure 4 shows marketable and non-marketable Treasury debt in both domestic and foreign currency as of end-November 2025. The debt classifies as follows: nominal Government bonds, 34%; indexed Government bonds, 41%; Government bills, 6%; foreign debt, 18%; and other non-marketable debt, 1%.

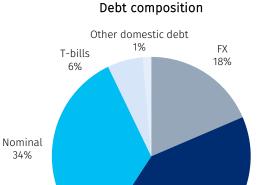


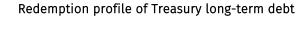
Figure 4

Indexed 41%

### 3.1.4 Average time to maturity

The aim is to keep the weighted average time to maturity of Government bonds between five and seven years. The average time to maturity of the debt is managed through issuance of Government securities with various maturities. At the end of November 2025, the average time to maturity was 6.78 years.

One of the objectives of Treasury debt management is to ensure that the redemption profile of Treasury debt is as even as possible. Figure 5 shows the redemption profile of domestic and foreign Treasury debt, based on the balance at the end of November 2025.



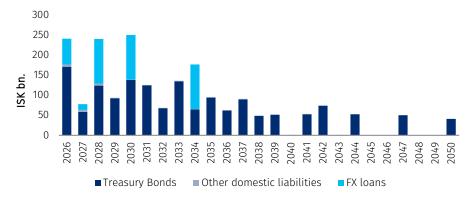


Figure 5

# 4. Treasury deposits

The Treasury's deposits are held in accounts with the Central Bank of Iceland. These include króna-denominated accounts, where most Treasury turnover takes place, and foreign-denominated accounts, which mainly contain the proceeds of the Treasury's foreign bond issuances. As is discussed in Section 2, the Treasury's financing need will be met through borrowing in the domestic and foreign markets and by drawing down the Treasury's deposits with the Central Bank of Iceland. This section focuses on Treasury deposits.

# 4.1 Domestic deposits

The Treasury's króna-denominated deposits with the Central Bank of Iceland shall average about ISK 40bn, according to a target based on fluctuations in the cash balance within an average month. This target has been in place in recent years, with the exception of the period of uncertainty about the Treasury outcome during the COVID-19 pandemic. It is also necessary to deviate temporarily from the target while the cash balance is being built up in order to meet large bond maturities. When appropriate, the Treasury has the option of lending out its deposits via short-term money market loans during such build-up periods. The Treasury may also take the same type of loan if the outlook is for a low cash balance over a short period of time. At the end of November 2025, the balance on the Treasury's króna-denominated accounts was ISK 62bn.

# 4.2 Foreign-denominated Treasury deposits

The Treasury's foreign-denominated deposits, which constitute a part of Iceland's international reserves, amounted to the equivalent of ISK 297bn at the end of November 2025. The exchange rate of the króna affects the ISK value of foreign-denominated deposits.

# 5. Risk management

The aim of Treasury debt management is to minimise long-term expense while observing a prudent risk policy. The balance between expected expense and risk should be managed primarily through selection of the structure and average duration of Treasury debt. This section discusses the management of various risks relating to Treasury debt, as well as contingent liabilities in the form of Government guarantees.

### 5.1 Market risk

Financial market volatility, whether due to fluctuations in interest rates, exchange rate movements, or changes in inflation, results in fluctuations in the market value of the debt portfolio and is therefore the main measure of risk. These types of risk, generally referred to collectively as market risk, are discussed in greater detail in the following sections.

Effective risk management aims to reduce risk while simultaneously minimising the expense associated with the portfolio. The main measure of cost is the average yield on issuance, adjusted for maturity, accrued inflation, and exchange rate movements. It is possible to achieve these objectives through effective Treasury debt management and strategic use of derivative instruments.

### 5.1.1 Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the Treasury's financing costs will rise due to changes in interest rate terms. Interest rate risk also depends on the structure of the debt. If interest rates on long-term loans are fixed, there is the risk that the Treasury will relinquish savings in the event that market interest rates should fall. Conversely, if the loans bear variable interest, there is the risk that rates will rise, thereby increasing the Treasury's interest expense.

#### Interest rate composition

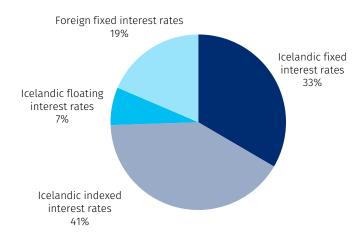


Figure 7

Figure 7 shows the composition of interest on debt in terms of the outstanding loan balance as of end-November 2025, adjusted for swap agreements. The majority of the Treasury's domestic and foreign debt, or 93%, bears fixed interest, and the associated payment flows are therefore known for the duration of the debt, with the exception of indexation on index-linked loan payments. Approximately 7% of the debt either bears variable interest – so that payment flows will change in line with changes in the base interest rate on the loans concerned – or is short-term debt. This category includes Government bills. In order to manage interest rate risk and increase the weight of variable interest, the Treasury has entered into swap agreements in which long-term fixed interest has been exchanged for short-term variable interest.

#### 5.1.2 Inflation risk

Inflation risk is the risk that indexation on index-linked Government bonds will raise the Treasury's financing costs as a result of increased inflation. At the end of November 2025, the Treasury's indexed debt, adjusted for inflation swaps, totalled ISK 918bn, or about 41% of total debt.

The Treasury owns indexed assets that offset indexed liabilities, thereby reducing inflation risk. These assets include loans granted to credit funds. In spite of these assets, the Treasury's indexation balance is still negative.

In order to manage inflation risk and reduce the weight of index-linked interest, the Treasury has entered into inflation swap agreements in which indexed interest is exchanged for nominal interest.

### 5.1.3 Exchange rate risk

Exchange rate risk is the risk that the Treasury's debt position will deteriorate due to changes in the exchange rate of the Icelandic króna versus other currencies. The Treasury's direct exchange rate risk is limited because the foreign currency assets it owns offset a large share of its foreign debt. In order to mitigate exchange rate risk, it is possible, for instance, to use swap agreements if they are considered likely to lower risk-adjusted financing costs. The Treasury's net foreign exposure is negative but is estimated to return to equilibrium in the next few years by accumulating foreign-denominated revenues.

# 5.2 Refinancing risk

One of the greatest risks in the debt portfolio is the refinancing of the debt. To reduce refinancing risk, efforts are made to keep the redemption profile of Government securities as smooth as possible over the long term. The aim is to keep the share of total debt maturing within 24 months below 25%.

Large Government bond maturities are scheduled for the next few years. Efforts will be made to reduce refinancing risk through buybacks and switch auctions (in which securities are exchanged for long-term Treasury instruments) prior to maturity.

## 5.3 Counterparty risk

The Treasury's counterparty risk develops primarily from loans granted, whether directly from the Treasury or through credit fund lending financed with loans from the Treasury. The main credit funds in this category are the Housing Fund, the Icelandic Student Loan Fund, and the Icelandic Regional Development Institute, which are governed by special legislation. In the case of credit funds, both credit risk and the management of that risk lie with the fund in question. It is assumed that the funds' interest rate spreads will reflect this risk and that any losses generated will be covered by equity. It is important that this risk be managed by the funds, even though the credit risk ultimately lies with the Treasury; i.e., the Treasury is responsible for ensuring that the funds' equity is in accordance with objectives. If the funds suffer shocks, the Treasury must contribute equity to them. Counterparty risk also develops with the issuance of money market loans, but such loans are granted only for very short periods and against sound collateral, which limits the risk involved.

### **5.4 State guarantees**

State guarantees represent the Treasury's greatest contingent liabilities. State guarantees are governed by Act no. 121/1997. The Treasury may not grant State guarantees without statutory authorisation from Parliament.

State guarantees and related matters are administered by the State Guarantee Fund, which compiles information on the position of the undertakings benefiting from guarantees and assesses the risk attached to the guarantees. The Central Bank oversees State guarantees according to an agreement with the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs. The State Guarantee Fund notifies the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs if a guarantee is likely to fall on the Treasury. Table 2 shows the status of State guarantees at the end of October 2025.<sup>5</sup>

### State guarantees

	Amounts in ISK m	Percentage
HF-Fund	21,848	19%
Icelandic Student Loan Fund	55,499	49%
Other institutions/companies	35,230	31%
Total	112,577	100%

Table 2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Market Information, December 2025. (http://www.lanamal.is/en/news/market-information)

# 6. Institutional structure

In each year's National Budget, Parliament authorises the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs to borrow funds and issue State guarantees. The Act on Public Finances, no. 123/2015, and the Act on Government Debt Management, no. 43/1990, stipulate that the Ministry is responsible for and implements debt management and State guarantees. According to Article 6 of the Act on Government Debt Management, no. 43/1990, the Minister is authorised to entrust one or more competent public entities with the administration of debt management, Government guarantees, relending, and other tasks. The Ministry has concluded an agreement with the Central Bank of Iceland, providing for specified advisory services and execution in connection with Treasury debt management. The agreement contains provisions on division of tasks and responsibilities so as to ensure that debt management decisions are taken independent of the Central Bank's monetary policy.

## 6.1 Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs administers Treasury debt and presents a strategy laying down objectives and benchmarks for Government debt management. It takes decisions on issuance volume, planned bond auctions, and liquidity management. It also determines yields and amounts of accepted bids in Treasury auctions. Moreover, the Ministry determines the structure, maturity, and characteristics of new issues, as well as deciding on buybacks and/or swap agreements.

### 6.2 Central Bank of Iceland

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs and the Central Bank of Iceland have concluded an agreement providing for specified advisory services and execution in connection with Treasury debt management. The purpose of the agreement is to promote more economical, efficient, and effective debt management based on the Ministry's debt management strategy.

A special department within the Central Bank of Iceland, Government Debt Management, is tasked by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs with handling Treasury debt management in accordance with guidelines adopted by the Ministry. Government Debt Management is responsible for ensuring that borrowing and debt management are in compliance with the strategy set out by the Ministry.

Government Debt Management also administers State guarantees and assesses the Treasury's risk due to such guarantees. It provides the Ministry with opinions on State guarantees and grants the guarantees if authorised by Parliament.

On behalf of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs, Government Debt Management handles the regular disclosure of information on the Treasury's domestic and foreign liabilities to the market, as well as publishing information on auction dates and annual and quarterly issuance plans, based on the Treasury's estimated financing need. It also issues press releases on debt management on behalf of the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs.

### 6.3 Consultative Committee on Debt Management

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs appoints a Consultative Committee on Debt Management whose members represent the Ministry and the Central Bank.

The Consultative Committee serves as a forum for the exchange of views on the current situation and outlook for capital markets, and on the Treasury's domestic and foreign borrowing and borrowing plans. It is intended to promote improvements in the domestic credit market as it deems appropriate.

The Committee makes proposals to the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs on the structure of individual bond series and their maturity and volume, as well as arrangements for market making and auctions. It also proposes risk management guidelines for the Treasury's domestic and foreign debt portfolios. The Committee discusses and adopts proposals for the Treasury's issuance schedule in domestic and foreign markets. The schedule specifies the issuance volume, issuance dates, and planned borrowing actions for the year. It must be approved by the Minister of Finance and Economic Affairs and is then announced to the market. In general, the Committee meets once a month, or as often as is deemed necessary.

# 7. Disclosure of information to market participants

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs and Government Debt Management attempt to maintain effective communication with market participants through regular publications and meetings with primary dealers and investors. All news releases are published on the Nasdaq Iceland Exchange and Bloomberg and are distributed to the media and the market. The Treasury uses the data vendor GlobeNewsWire to broadcast press releases to foreign media and market participants.

Publications on debt management issued by the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs and Government Debt Management include the following:

- Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy
- Annual Government Debt Management Prospect
- Quarterly Government Debt Management Prospect
- Announcements about auctions and auction dates
- Market Information

In addition to the above, Government Debt Management plans to publish an annual report on the previous year's issuance and how it was executed in accordance with the debt management strategy. The first such report is set for publication in spring 2026.

## 7.1 Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy

The Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs prepares the *Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy* (MTDS), which is revised and published annually. It includes the following topics:

- Debt management objectives and guidelines
- Issuance arrangements
- Issuance policy
- Structure of Treasury debt
- Risk management
- Organisation and information disclosure

# 7.2 Annual Government Debt Management Prospect

The Annual Government Debt Management *Prospect* is designed to provide market participants with general information on Treasury issuance for the upcoming year. It is published following Parliamentary approval of the National Budget and includes the following information:

- Total issuance volume for the year
- Issuance policy for the year
- Buybacks and switch auctions

# 7.3 Quarterly Government Debt Management Prospect

At the end of each quarter, Government Debt Management issues a calendar for the upcoming quarter. The Quarterly *Prospect* includes the following information:

- Planned Government bond issuance for the quarter
- Summary of issuance in the previous quarter

### 7.4 Auction announcements

Press releases on individual auctions are published on the NASDAQ Iceland Exchange at least one business day in advance. The press release states which series are to be auctioned each time. The results are published after each auction, on that same day.

### 7.5 Planned auction dates

The planned dates for Government bill and Government bond auctions are published on the Government Debt Management website each December. The information is also distributed directly to market participants.

### 7.6 Market Information

Government Debt Management publishes a monthly newsletter entitled *Market Information*. The newsletter contains important information on Treasury debt and State guarantees. *Market Information* is distributed to the media and to market participants and is published on the Government Debt Management website. It includes the following information:

- Highlights from the previous month
- Results of Treasury auctions
- Treasury debt statistics
- Position of Government benchmark securities
- Structure of Treasury debt
- Redemption profile for Treasury debt
- Owners of Government securities
- Securities loans
- State guarantees

# 7.7 Government Debt Management website

Government Debt Management maintains a website, www.lanamal.is, which includes information on Treasury debt management, market prices, yields, and historical statistics on Government securities, as well as prospectuses for the securities. The following information can also be found there:

- Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy
- Annual Government Debt Management Prospect
- Quarterly Government Debt Management Prospect
- Auction announcements
- Market Information

- Press releases
- The Republic of Iceland's sovereign credit ratings

Information on Government debt can also be found on the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs website: www.fjr.is.

# 7.8 Primary dealers in Government securities

Government Debt Management monitors primary dealers on a daily basis to ensure that they fulfil their market-making obligations in the secondary market. Meetings are held with them at least quarterly, and more often if necessary.

### 7.9 Investors

Representatives from Government Debt Management and the Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs meet regularly with investors to acquaint them with points of emphasis in Treasury debt management.

